

Today

Fighting Seven Miles.
When a Dog Walks.
Do Women Need Votes?
Yes, and Fish Water.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE.

Pershing's report tells you:
"This morning northwest of Verdun the first army attacked the enemy on a front of twenty miles and penetrated his line to an average depth of seven miles."

When you read that you see twenty miles long a row of American soldiers, with clear eyes and firm jaws.

You see American flags, bullet holes in the flags, and absolute certainty of victory in the face of every man on that magnificent, long fighting line.

You see these men of America crouching, running, firing, bayoneting; this man drops wounded, that man drops dead, never to know the glorious news on this earth. Their comrades go on over the Hindenburg line.

And fighting and running and pursuing the vicious enemy, these men in one attack go seven miles.

You have occasionally walked seven miles, perhaps. It is a long walk to even take leisurely. Imagine your brothers in France fighting their way for seven miles over shell holes, against machine guns, through barbed wire. Then you realize faintly, here in American safety, the kind of fight that Americans are making for you and for the whole world in France.

It is told in four lines, telegraphed by Pershing to his government. It will be told in the annals of brave men as long as history lasts.

Read the news, seeing in your mind what has happened, and nobody will need urge you to buy Liberty bonds to back the fighting men.

The Presbyterian church has "overturned all precedents" by giving a lady, Mrs. Chapman, of Elmira, N. Y., a license to preach. This is done under the pressure of war "under the spur of war needs."

Under that spur ladies are allowed to guide the wandering soldier home from now on. In Presbyterian churches, as lady sheriffs in some Western towns are allowed to guide the wandering soldier to the lock-up, and as lady conductors are permitted to collect the nickels of the home bound.

A thousand editors will quote Dr. Johnson's saying, "Sir, a woman's preaching is like a dog's walking on his hind legs. It is not done well, but you are surprised to find it done at all."

That is one of the foolish things that wise old Dr. Johnson said.

Women have preached as well as men. And a woman, Mrs. Eddy, is the only human being that has been able by her preaching to establish a religion and a church for many a year.

As to the right of women to preach. Women followed the founder of Christianity to the foot of the cross and stayed there to receive His dead body in their arms, after all brave men had deserted Him and his chief disciple had thrice denied Him. If women were good enough for that service they ought to be good enough to teach and preach the lessons that Christ taught.

After nearly two thousand years of Christianity, more or less diluted, Christian civilizations, including our own, are tetter-tautering, doubtful about the wisdom of giving woman the ballot with which to protect herself against exploitation and injustice.

That women need the vote is made clear in every country where there is any voting, at least once every day. For instance:

Women were working their lives out, for the lowest wages, injuring children unborn, and compelled to neglect their own children, in long hours of night work, at labor unfit for women. New York State passed a law against such ill-treatment of women. The high court declared that the law was unconstitutional. It was, if you please, against the law of the land to pass a law to protect women from industrial slavery. It was necessary to go to the Supreme Court of the United States to get a decision that men who keep women political slaves at least had the right to protect them.

Now, work is offered to women in many directions, not out of consideration for them, but because the men are not there to do the work. Among other things women have found work as conductors.

Now, in one city the men conductors decide that they do not want women, lest they interfere later with men. And promptly the women are told officially in that particular city that they must get out of the street cars, give up their places because men don't want them to earn a living in that way.

Suppose men had no right to vote and women decided that men could work for a living only in places that women didn't want.

Wouldn't men demand the vote, and be justified in demanding it?

What a pitiful thing that in this question of justice to the people, and after the President of the United States had most strongly urged woman suffrage, the United States, as a whole, still hesitates and wavers.

The Times will print each day one of the thousands of Liberty Loan Slogans submitted by its readers. Today is by PRIVATE FRED A. ADAMS, 808 Aero Squadron.

"PUT THE KIBOSH ON THE BOCHE"

WEATHER:

Fair and slightly warmer today. Tomorrow cloudy; probably followed by rain. Temperature at 8 a. m. 43 degrees. Normal temperature for September 28 for last thirty years 64 degrees.

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NEW OFFENSIVE IN FLANDERS

M'ADOO BUYS ALLIES TO GIVE YANKS SMASH THROUGH FOE LINES
FIRST BOND AS BULGARS PEACE SERBIANS PUSH ON IN BULGARIA
CAPITAL OPENS ONLY IF ARMY U. S. TROOPS SERB CAVALRY
4TH CAMPAIGN IS DEMOBILIZED IN PICARDY JOIN BRITISH CHASES ENEMY
MAJOR DRIVE FORTY MILES OVER BORDER

10-MILE FRONT OF HINDENBURG LINE IS BROKEN BY AMERICANS

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS WOMAN?

Below is a photograph of Miss Estella Bullock, of the War Risk Bureau, who has mysteriously disappeared. She has brown eyes, black hair, dark complexion with no distinguishing facial marks; is 5 feet 3 inches tall, and weighs about 110 pounds. When last seen she wore over her dress a long dark coat, and plain black hat and black shoes.



POLICE UNABLE TO FIND MISSING GIRL IN WEEK'S SEARCH

Bullock, of Freedom, Ky., whence she came a few months ago to accept a position as clerk at \$1,000 a year in the audits and accounts section of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, at Fourteenth and E streets northwest. For two weeks before she disappeared Miss Bullock lived at 445 Q street northwest with Mrs. Carrie A. O'Brien, and took her meals with Mrs. Pearl A. Hicks, at 433 Q street northwest. Miss Bullock showed less reserve with Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Hicks than she did to her co-workers, but she did not become friendly even with them.

Appeared Despondent. The story of Miss Bullock's disappearance was told to The Times today by Mrs. Hicks, with whom Miss Bullock had planned to go to church. Mrs. Hicks said: "I noticed that Miss Bullock appeared despondent, but paid little attention to it at the time. A first met Miss Bullock through Mrs. O'Brien who sent Miss Bullock here to get meals. I didn't see much of Miss Bullock except at breakfast. After she had been coming here a few days I offered to

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A Letter From President Wilson to You and a beautiful etching of the Statue of Liberty by Joseph Pennell, reproduced by rotogravure as a separate supplement, printed on fine paper and supplied by the U. S. Government to the SUNDAY AMERICAN, for free distribution to its readers, are features of next Sunday's SPECIAL LIBERTY LOAN EDITION of the N. Y. AMERICAN. To avoid disappointment be sure to place your order in advance with your newsdealer.—Advt.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—The Americans have broken through the Hindenburg line on the ten-mile front between Dannouvou and Eclisfontaine, northwest of Verdun.

Between Nantillois and Montblainville (a front of about ten miles), the Americans are within a mile of the heads of the enemy's three standard gauge railways. They have captured scores of miles of light railways.

Dannouvou is near the west bank of the Meuse, fifteen miles north and west of Verdun. Eclisfontaine is three miles and a half north of Varennes and an equal distance west of Montfaucou. Nantillois is a mile and a half north of Montfaucou; Montblainville is a mile and a half northwest of Varennes.

BIG ATTACK MADE BY FRENCH FORCES

PARIS, Sept. 28 (noon).—Another big French attack was made in the Champagne region today, and the village of Somme-Py was captured. The French war office announced today. Important high ground north of Fontaine-en-Dormois was taken from the Germans in a storm attack. More prisoners and guns were captured.

Another victorious blow was struck north of the Aisne river, where two more villages were captured.

German counter attacks were beaten off.

The text of the communique follows:

"This morning at 5:30 o'clock the French resumed the attack and seized Somme-Py. We carried the heights north of Fontaine-en-Dormois.

"More prisoners and guns were captured from the Germans.

"The battle continues.

"Between the Aisette and Aisne rivers the pressure of the French forces continued throughout the night and this morning.

"Northwest of Nancy there were lively local operations and further gains were made.

"Two hundred and fifty prisoners were taken in this fighting, among them four officers.

"Counter attacks by the Germans north of Allemant failed completely.

"To the southwest the French penetrated the ravine between Jouy and Airy, capturing both villages."

WITH THE AMERICAN WEST OF VERDUN, Sept. 28.—(Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

40,000 DISTRICT COAL BINS FILLED

By BILL PRICE.

Of 22,000 Washingtonians who applied last spring and summer for their winter allotment of coal, over 40,000 have received all or part of the supply, agreed upon. The remaining 12,000 have been negligent, with winter approaching fast. Nearly all Washington coal dealers have reason to be supplied on hand and are waiting for you to look in on them while they can serve you. Later on the situation may not be half so favorable. This is your tip to delay no longer.

The situation as to anthracite coal for Washington looks good. It has looked good last winter. They know should have warmth for all Washingtonians who have looked ahead and provided against the blasts of the icy months not far away.

Outlook is Favorable.

Of 675,000 tons of anthracite coal allotted to the District by the fuel administration for the coming winter, about 450,000 tons have either been received or are on the way. There is a mighty comfortable feeling for the man who put in his order early and has had stored all or part of the total he is to get. And the local fuel administration knows just how much each man ordered, what he claims he must have and what he has received.

Frank Jones, local fuel administrator, and his right-hand man, Ben Woodruff, are not boasting. They are merely hopeful that there will be no repetition of last winter. They know that there can not be anything like the scenes of those dreary cold months of early 1918, because the bulk of the coal necessary to prevent is here.

"If credit is due to us we certainly

Real Peace Offer.

BERNE, Sept. 28.—With the approval of the majority parties the government has addressed an official offer for an armistice to the enemy, says the Bulgarian press bureau in its account of the armistice offer of Bulgaria to the allies.

"The majority parties," the dispatch adds, "exhort the people and the army to maintain that discipline which is so necessary to the happy realization of our actual intentions."

"The decisive effort for peace has now begun."

Bulgaria can get out of the war if she agrees to four conditions, an authoritative Balkan diplomatic source declared today. She must

1—Demobilize her army and surrender all material.

2—Permit allied control of Bulgarian railways.

3—Permit passage of entente troops to the Turkish frontier.

4—Agree to rest all territorial questions until the general peace at the end of the war.

Opens Road to Turkey.

If Bulgaria is sincere, this diplomat said, she will accept these conditions, and give the allies a chance to strike directly at Turkey. It is not expected that Bulgaria could possibly become active on the allied side after seven years of fighting.

Satisfactory advances are being made over the whole battle front.

In addition to the 10,000 prisoners taken in Picardy, the British have captured 200 more guns.

The Douai-Cambrai road has been reached. Douai and Cambrai are extremely important German positions, being bastions upon which the northern end of the Hindenburg line rests.

Onslaught is Unrelaxed.

The text of the official report follows:

"Our attack yesterday on the Cambrai front was pressed without any

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SENATORS DELAY SUFFRAGE VOTE

An anti-suffrage filibuster began as soon as the Senate met today. Antis refused to allow dispensing with reading of the Senate Journal. Then when Senator Fletcher asked that President Wilson's New York speech be printed as a public document, Senator Lodge insisted it be read.

Suffrage leaders today heard with dismay that a Southern Democratic Senator, on whom they had counted all along, was about to make a speech against suffrage. This would reduce their vote to sixty-two, two less than they need.

A joint resolution introduced by Congressman Gillette of Massachusetts, appropriating one million dollars to fight the Spanish influenza epidemic was rushed through the House at noon today.

Clark and Kitchen Have Influenza

Champ Clark, Speaker of the House, and Claude Kitchen, majority leader, were among the fresh victims of Spanish influenza reported in Washington today.

The case of Miss Estella Bullock, the young Kentucky war worker who disappeared in Washington last Sunday while on her way to church, today developed into one of the most mysterious missing person puzzles in the recent annals of the police department.

Miss Bullock, a stranger in Washington, among its thousands of war workers, had shown evidences of despondency to those with whom she worked, and had "kept to herself," making virtually no acquaintances among her fellow workers, and sometimes working an entire day without speaking.

Her quiet reticence grew even more noticeable when girl workers invited her to accompany them to lunch and she refused, politely but firmly. She declined to take part in any of the entertainments enjoyed by the other girl workers and had succeeded in gaining an embryo reputation as a mysterious woman after only a few weeks work.

Police Have No Clue.

Efforts of the police to locate her through a search of nearly a week have been futile and today detectives working on the case admitted they have not even succeeded in finding a clew as to the probable whereabouts of the woman or an explanation of her strange disappearance.

Miss Bullock is thirty-five years old and a daughter of Thomas J.

Phone your ads, Main 5260. Bill will be sent.

FURNISHED ROOMS

F. ST. N. W. 910—Comfortable room for one gentleman; h. w. b. reasonable.

The above ad had only run two days in THE TIMES when the rooms were rented. Needless to say, the advertiser was greatly pleased with the results.

